

Capsule Summary

Inventory No. PG: 77-01

Property Name: Chapel II #3715

Location: Andrews Air Force Base

Ownership: Public/Military

Date of Construction: 1986

The Forest Grove Church is located inside Andrews Air Force Base near its eastern boundary. It is a wood frame, gable-roofed building approximately 29 feet wide by 44 feet long. Its main facade is its south gabled end. Centered in this south gable end is a projecting two-story crenelated tower. Entry into the church is through six-panel double wood doors, which are surmounted by a dentilled frieze, and, above the frieze, a pointed-arch transom filled with stained glass. There is a pointed-arch louvered window on each face of the tower near its top. The exterior of the building is covered in german siding, painted white. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The sides of the church are three bays long. The windows are pointed-arch, double-hung sash, stained glass memorials. Similar windows flank the tower on the south gable end, and are built into the two side walls of the projecting alter at the north gable end. The building rests on a high concrete block foundation which encloses a full basement.

With the exception of the front of the church, the structure is surrounded by a graveyard, with gravestones dating from 1874 to 1938. The burials represent a large number of the families occupying the site prior to development of the airfield.

The interior walls of the church have vertical wood wainscoting below a chair rail. Some of the stained glass windows display memorials to members of the Binger, Beall, Shreve, and Kingsbury families.

Records indicate that in 1880 the church was rebuilt from the foundation up. Again, in 1914, the church was repaired when it was shifted off of its foundation by heavy winds. In 1954 the building was renovated by the Air Force, and again in 1984. In 1986 the property was completely rebuilt after it was gutted by fire. As part of Andrews Air Force Base, the church is known as Chapel II.

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Inventory Form
Continuation Sheet

PG: 77- 01

MHT Inventory No.

name of property: Chapel II

resource name: Andrews AFB

county Prince Georges
Maryland

HISTORIC CONTEXT

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: **Western Shore**

Chronological/Development Period(s): **Modern (1930-present)**

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): **Military/Transportation**

Resource Type:

Category: **Building**

Historic Environment: **Urban**

Historic Function and Use:

Church and Graveyard

Known Design Source: **None**

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #77-1

Building Date: 1914

Building Name: Forest Grove Church

Location: Andrews Air Force Base, Camp Springs, Maryland

Public/Religious/Occupied/Excellent/Inaccessible

Description:

The Forest Grove Chapel is located inside Andrews Air Force Base near its eastern boundary. It is a frame, gable-roofed building ca. 29' by 44'; its main facade is its south gable end. Centered in this south gable end is a projecting two-story crenelated tower; entry into the tower is through six-panel double doors surmounted by a dentilled frieze, and, above the frieze, a pointed-arch transom filled with stained glass. There is a pointed-arch louvered window on each face of the tower near its top. The sides of the church are three bays long. The windows are pointed-arch, double-hung sash, stained glass memorials. Similar windows flank the tower on the south gable end, and are built into the two side walls of the projecting altar at the north gable end. The building rests on a high concrete foundation which encloses a full basement. The siding is German, painted white; the roof is covered with green asphalt shingle. To the north of the church is a graveyard, with gravestones dating from 1874 to 1938.

Significance:

Forest Grove Church is a good example of simple Gothic Revival ecclesiastical architecture. In the years before the Civil War, when the issue of slavery divided the Methodist Church, some congregations of the Baltimore Conference broke away from the General Conference, and became members of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. It was at this time that members of the previously-existing Methodist churches at Long Old Fields and Beall's meeting house established Forest Grove as a chapel of the Methodist Episcopal Church South; the first chapel was built on this site in 1854 on the north side of the Washington-Marlboro Road at Centreville. In 1880, the church structure was rebuilt, but was destroyed by a severe windstorm in 1914. At this time, the present church was built, incorporating some of the stained glass windows from the earlier church. In 1942, the United States government took over a large tract of land, including the church, for the establishment of (Andrews) Air Force Base. Forest Grove Church is now known as Chapel #2; its former congregation has merged with that of the Forestville (Long Old Fields) Methodist Church, forming the Forest Memorial United Methodist Church.

Acreage: small fraction of an acre

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Survey No. PG: 77-1

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Forest Grove Methodist Church

and/or common Chapel 2 (preferred name)

2. Location

street & number Bldg #3715, Fetchet Avenue

☐ not for publication

city, town Andrews Air Force Base Camp Springs
vicinity of

congressional district 4

state Maryland 20331-5000

county Prince George's County

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name United States Air Force

street & number Bldg 3715, Fetchet Ave

telephone no.:

city, town Camp Springs

state and zip code Maryland 20331-5000

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse

liber EWB#1

street & number Main Street

folio 244

city, town Upper Marlboro

state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Prince George's Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1974

☐ federal ☐ state ☒ county ☐ local

depository for survey records History Division/MNCPPC

city, town Riverdale

state Maryland

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7. Description

Survey No. PG: 77-1

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Forest Grove Methodist Church, known as the Andrews Air Force Base Chapel #2, is located inside the base boundary near the eastern boundary. It is a frame, gable-roofed building, 29 feet wide and 44 feet long. The main facade is its south gable end. Centered in this south gable end is a projecting two-story crenelated tower. The belfry tower is 72 feet square. Entry into the tower is through six-paneled double doors surmounted by a dentilled frieze. Above the frieze is a pointed-arch transom filled with stained glass. There is a pointed-arch louvred window on each face of the tower near its top.

The sides of the church are three bays long. The windows are pointed-arch, double-hung sash, stained glass memorials. Similar windows flank the tower on the south gable end, and are built into the two side walls of the projecting altar at the north gable end. The building rests on a high concrete foundation which encloses a full basement. The siding is German, painted white; the roof is covered with green asphalt shingle.

The interior walls of the church have vertical wainscoting below the chair-rail. Some of the stained glass windows display memorials to members of the Binger, Beall, Shreve and Kingsbury families. The ceiling beams are now hidden from view by white asbestos tiles.

The church sits on approximately a one acre site. To the north of the church is a graveyard with gravestones dating from 1874 to 1938.

8. Significance

Survey No. PG: 77-1

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
				local history

Specific dates	1914	Builder/Architect	
check: Applicable Criteria:	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D		
	and/or		
Applicable Exception:	<input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G		
Level of Significance:	<input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local		

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support. Forest Grove Methodist Church is a good example of simple Gothic Revival Architecture. The first Forest Grove Methodist Church was established in 1854 as part of the Methodist Church South. By the early 1840s, this area of Prince George's County had two centers of Methodist worship: at Long Old Fields (present day Forestville) and at Beall's meeting house (the predecessor of present day Bells Methodist Church in Camp Springs), both part of the Bladensburg Circuit of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In the years before the Civil War, the issue of slavery divided the Methodist Church. When the General Conference declared abolition of slaves a condition of church membership, southern conferences split off from the General Conference to form the Methodist Episcopal Church South. Baltimore, a border conference, voted to adhere to the General Conference in condemning the institution of slavery, thus provoking some individual congregations of the Bladensburg Circuit to break from their conference and declare themselves part of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. It was at this time that Forest Grove was established as a chapel of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The chapel was built in 1854 on a small lot (on the north side of Washington-Marlboro Road at Centerville) which was deeded in 1855.

During the Civil War the church was used as a headquarters for Union soldiers guarding the approaches to Washington. Although there is no proof, it is believed that Union soldiers may have been buried at the site. After the end of the Civil War, Forest Grove Church became part of a new circuit, the Marlboro Circuit, until 1896 when the new Forest Grove Circuit was established. In 1880, the church structure was rebuilt, and remained standing until it was destroyed by a severe windstorm in 1914. At this time, the present church was built, incorporating some of the stained glass windows from the earlier church.

In 1942 the US Government took over a large tract of land, including the community of Centerville, for the establishment of Andrews Air Force Base. This is the last remaining structure in the old community. The cemetery has been closed to burials since the government acquired the land. Today the church is used for a variety of services, serving the military community.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No.PG: 77-1

Minutes Book, Methodist Episcopal Church South, 1842-1880; Microfilm M 1141, MD Hall of Records. Those Incredible Methodists; a History of the Baltimore Conference of the United Methodist Church, 1972.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property Approx one acre
Quadrangle name Upper Marlboro, Section D

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Ms Julia Harrell/Community Planner
organization 1776 ABW/DEEV/Environmental Planning date 8 May 1987
street & number Andrews AFB telephone (301) 981-2579
city or town Camp Springs state MD

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Statement of Significance (continued)

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Methodist Church records, Forestville Charge, Microfilm M 1113, MD Hall
of Records; WPA Church survey, 1937, MD Hall of Records; Historical
Archeological Survey, Andrews Air Force Base, August 1984.

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Forest Grove Methodist Episcopal Church South

and/or common Chapel #2 Andrews Air Force Base

2. Location

street & number (Fechet Ave.) Andrews Air Force Base ☐ not for publicationcity, town Camp Springs ☐ vicinity of congressional district 4

state Md. 20331 county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
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4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name United States of America

street & number 18th and F Street., N.W. telephone no.:

city, town Washington, D.C. state and zip code 20405

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. P.G. County Courthouse liber EWB#1

street & number Main Street folio 244

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title P.G. County Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1974 ☐ federal ☐ state ☒ county ☐ local

depository for survey records History Division MNCPPC

city, town Riverdale state Md.

7. Description

Survey No. P.G. #77-1

Condition

☒ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
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8. Significance

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Specific dates 1914 Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

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After the end of the Civil War, Forest Grove Church became part of a new circuit, the Marlboro Circuit, until 1896 when the new Forest Grove Circuit was established. In 1880, the church structure was rebuilt, and remained standing until it was destroyed by a severe windstorm in 1914. At this time, the present church was built, incorporating some of the stained glass windows from the earlier church.³

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. P.G. #77-1

See Chain of Title

See Notes, Item #8

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property Small fraction of acreQuadrangle name Upper Marlboro, Section D

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Susan G. Pearl, Research Historian/Rod McDonellorganization Historic Preservation Commission date February 1985street & number c/o County Planning, MNCPPC telephone 952-3521city or town Upper Marlboro, state Md.

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Notes

1 Minutes Book, Methodist Episcopal Church South, 1842-1880; Microfilm M 1141, Md. Hall of Records. Those Incredible Methodists; a History of the Baltimore Conference of the United Methodist Church, 1972.

2 P.G. Deed, EWB #1:244.

3 Methodist Church records, Forestville Charge, Microfilm M 1113, Md. Hall of Records; WPA Church survey, 1937, Md. Hall of Records; Historical Archeological Survey, Andrews Air Force Base, August 1984.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Centreville M.E. Church/Forest Grove

AND/OR COMMON

Chapel #2, Andrews A.F.B.

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

eastern edge of Andrews A.F.B., near Dower House Rd.

CITY, TOWN

Camp Springs

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Prince George's

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- ☒ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- ☒ PUBLIC
☐ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- ☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES RESTRICTED
☐ YES UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

- ☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☒ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☒ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

U.S. Air Force

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Andrews Air Force Base

CITY, TOWN

Camp Springs

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
 REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Prince George's County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Upper Marlboro

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
 SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☒ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This is an interesting, Gothic Revival country church, that has been preserved on the grounds of the sprawling Andrews Air Force Base. It is a frame building, with pointed-arch stained-glass windows. The entrance is in the south gable facade, via a projecting, two-story tower with a crenellated cap. The double doors are topped by a large, arched window. The building is sheathed with German siding.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Reportedly, this church was built in 1854 to serve families in the now-gone community of Centreville. It seems to have been known then as Forest Grove Methodist Church. After the Civil War period, with the split in the Methodist Church, it was a M.E. South Church. It shows on Hopkins' Atlas as such. It was apparently remodeled to its present Gothic style about 1880.

This is one of the nicer country churches seen in the county, and it is the last real remnant of the old Centreville community that was absorbed by the huge air base here in the 1940's.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- 1) THE SENTINEL, (Jan. 8, 1976), article with photo.
- 2) Note: The Base Historian at Andrews Air Force Base has a number of research documents on the property.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

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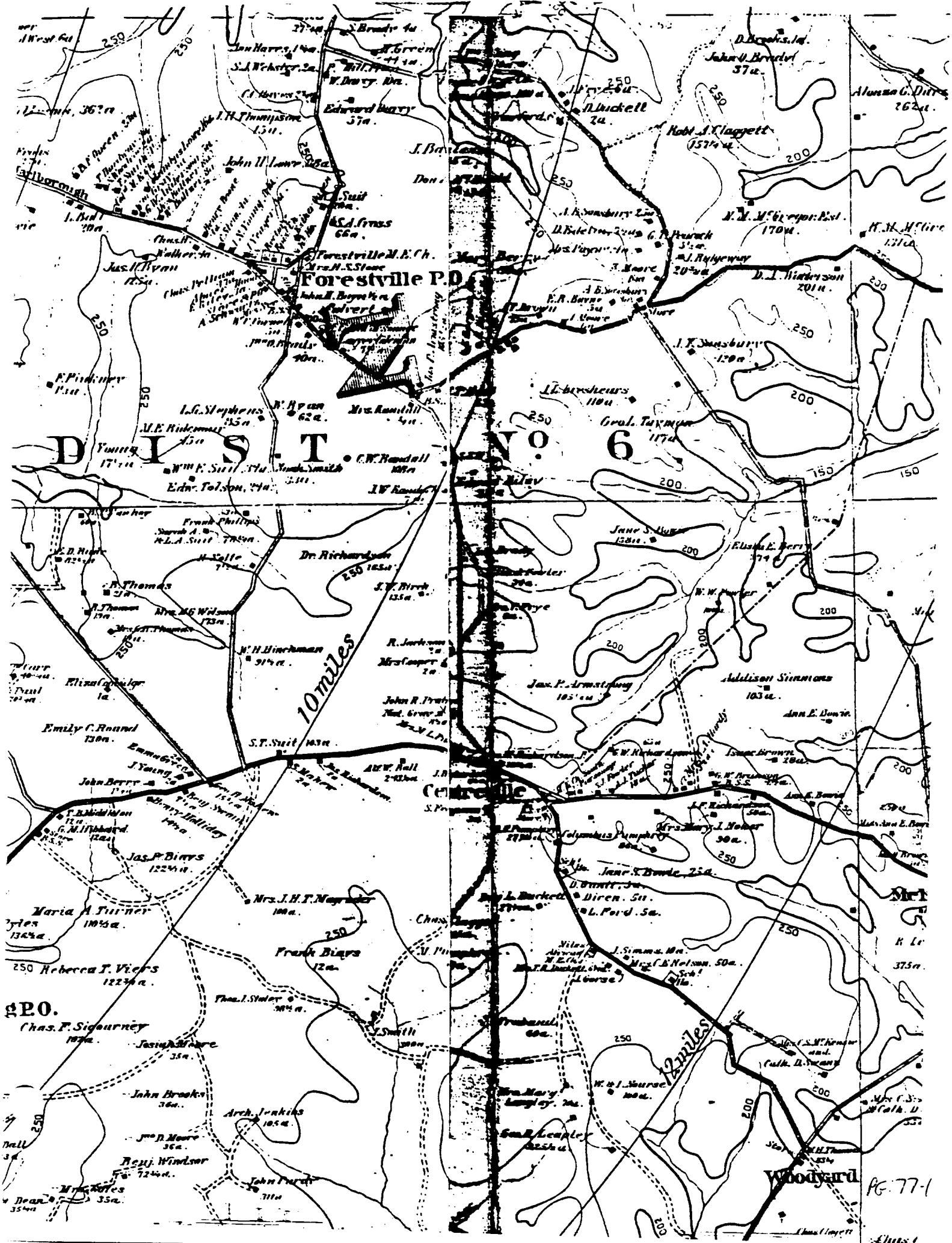
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John H. Selby, William Fowler, William and Elizabeth Jarboe, John and Margaret Robey, to Rector Pumphrey, James Pumphrey, William Pumphrey, John Kingsbury and William Marshall, Trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church South. All that lot of land and premises lying and being near Centreville in said county upon which the Methodist Episcopal Church now stands. This tract lies along the main road leading from Marlboro to Washington, across from a blacksmith's shop, containing 120 perches of land.



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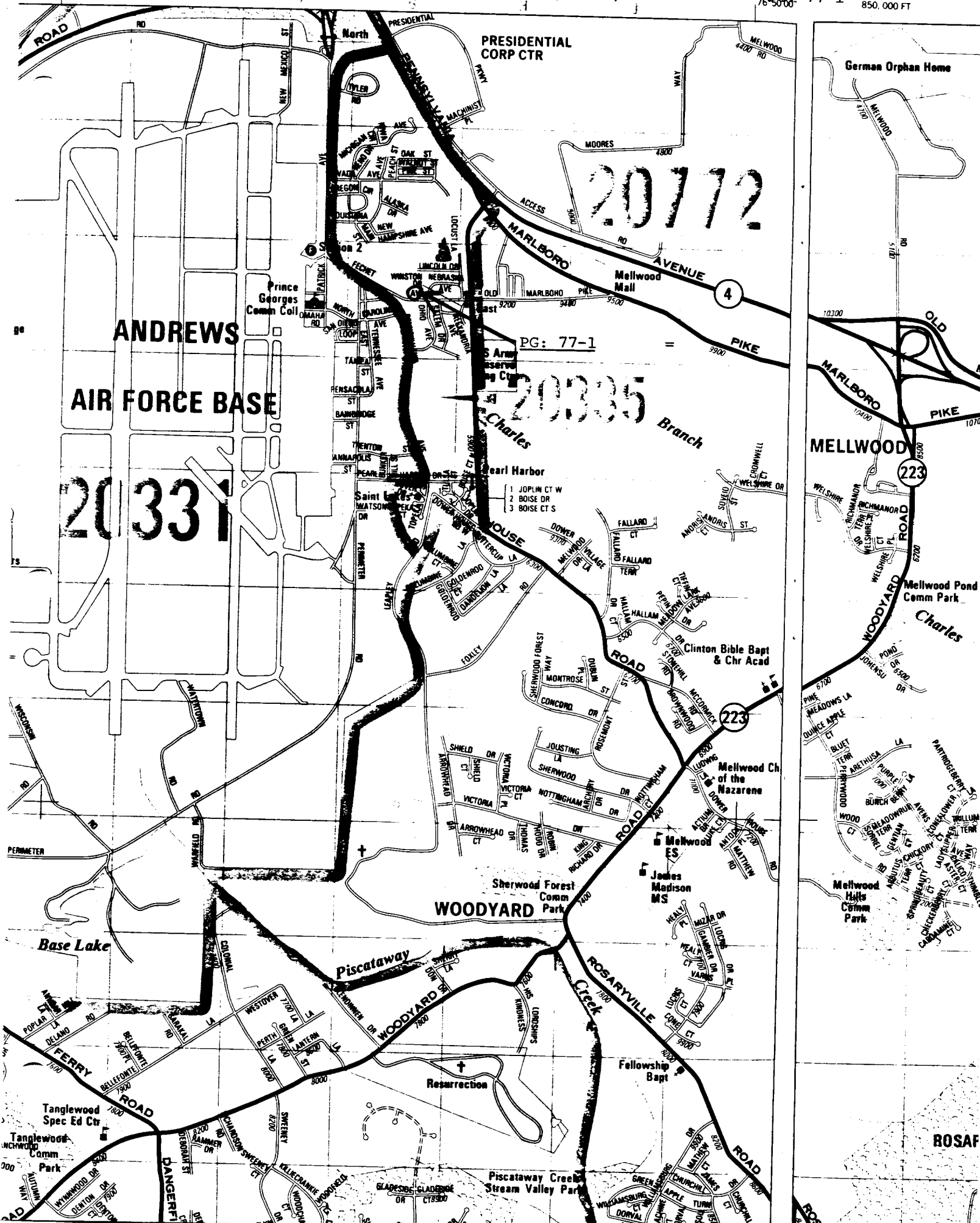
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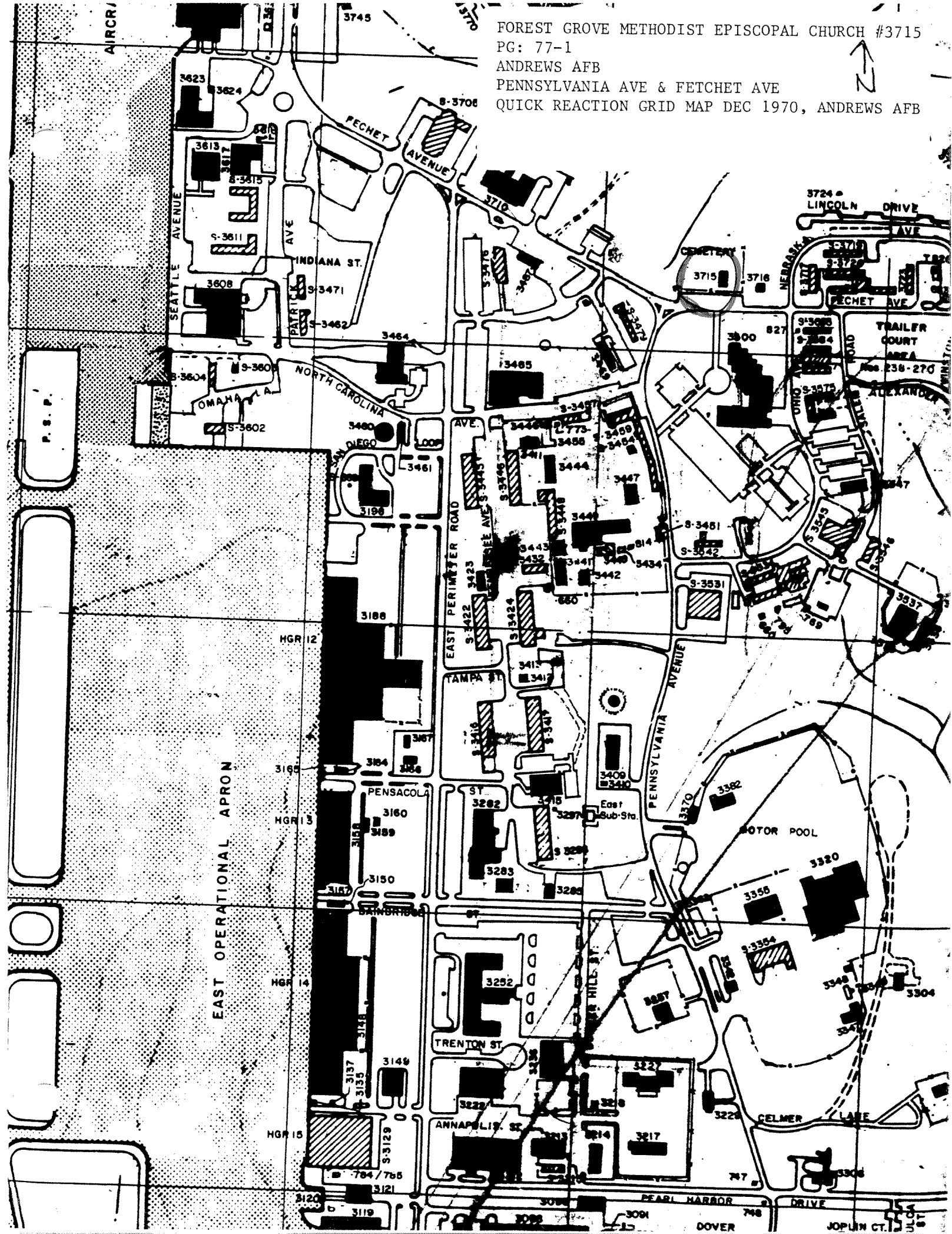
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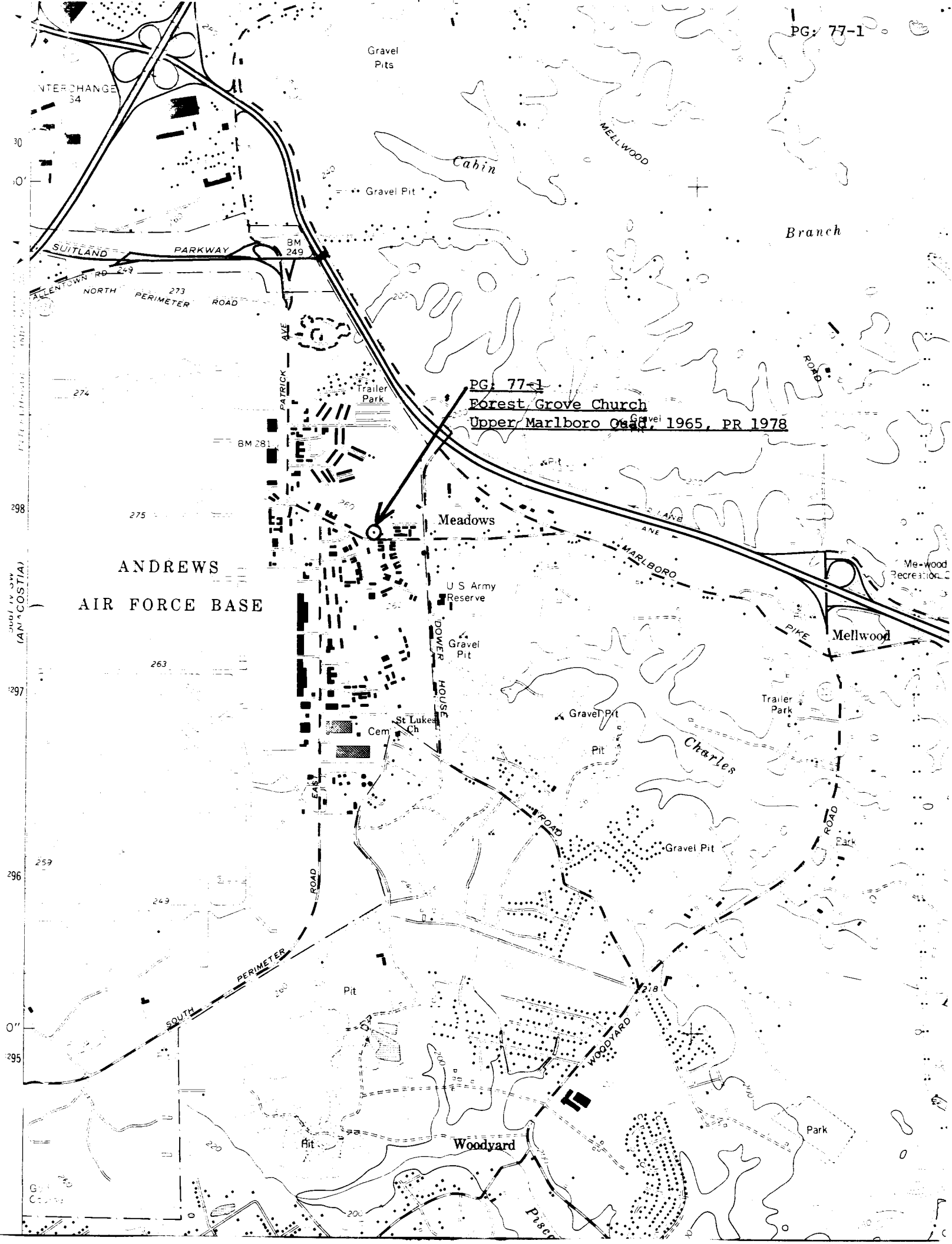
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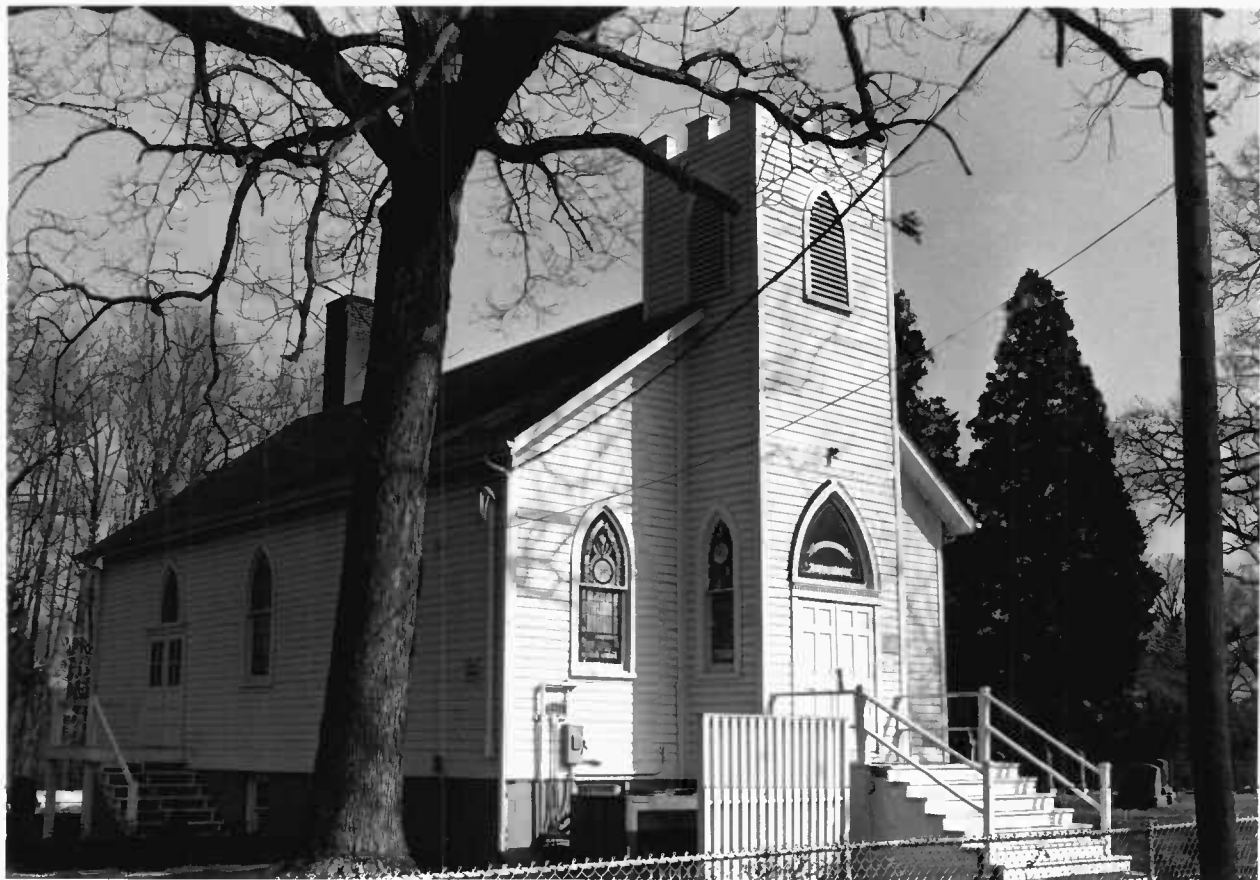
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